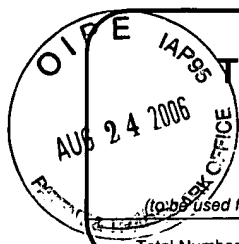


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In response to the Office Action mailed July 20, 2006 (Response to Restriction Requirement), Applicants elect Group III, claims 51-62 drawn to a medical device. With respect to the species election, Applicants elect the species provided in Figure 5.

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